

July 2, 2010

## Notice of Substantial Amendment to the Neighborhood Stabilization Program

The City of Columbus now has available for public review and comment, information on a substantial amendment to the 2008 Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan. The proposed amendment will document changes in the budget for the city's Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP1), which provides emergency assistance to acquire and redevelop foreclosed properties that might otherwise become sources of abandonment and blight within the community.

The NSP1, funded in the amount of \$22,845,495, is authorized under Title III of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. These funds are being used to purchase foreclosed or abandoned homes and to rehabilitate, resell, or redevelop these homes in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of house values of neighboring homes.

A second modification to the City's NSP1 budget results in more than a 20% increase in one activity's original budget (Neighborhood Stabilization Fund). The City considers that this change requires a substantial amendment to the NSP1 plan. The City of Columbus proposes to make the following changes to the NSP1:

Activity Funds	Activity	Housing Unit Goals			Activity Budgets			
		Original	Modification	Revised Goals	Original	Modification #1	Modification #2 **	Revised Budget **
Neighborhood Stabilization Fund (120% AMI)	For Sale	36	1	37	\$4,286,047	\$2,730,528	\$1,000,000	\$8,016,575
	Homebuyer Ed	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$800,000	-\$550,000	\$0	\$250,000
	Gut to Stud	70	-70	0	\$1,500,000	-\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0
Total 120% AMI					\$6,586,047	\$680,528	\$1,000,000	\$8,266,575
Acquisition and Demolition Fund	Acquisition	150	120	270	\$3,652,500	\$0	\$0	\$3,652,500
	Holding Costs				\$1,557,500		-\$700,000	\$857,500
	Demolition	130	-30	100	\$1,300,000		\$0	\$1,300,000
Total Acq & Demo Fund					\$6,510,000	\$0	-\$700,000	\$5,810,000
50% AMI Fund	For Sale	25	-13	12	\$750,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
	Rental	50	30	80	\$5,050,000	-\$930,528	\$700,000	\$4,819,472
		75	17	92	\$5,800,000	-\$680,528	\$700,000	\$5,819,472
Administration					\$1,008,014	\$125,896	\$0	\$1,133,910
Project Delivery					\$2,941,434	-\$125,896	\$0	\$2,815,538
Total Admin/Project Del					\$3,949,448	\$0	\$0	\$3,949,448
					Net Change:	\$0	\$1,000,000	
Projected Program Income (\$1,610,000)					** \$1,000,000 of Projected Program Income Included			
NSP1 Totals		Units = For Sale + Rental	111	18	129	Original Total	Revised Total	
						\$22,845,495	\$23,845,495	

For further information and to make public comment, please contact Philip Carter, City of Columbus Department of Finance and Management, 90 W. Broad Street, Room 406, Columbus, Ohio 43215, phone 645-7492 or e-mail, [pdcarter@columbus.gov](mailto:pdcarter@columbus.gov) between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

The city will receive public comment on this proposed amendment through July 16, 2010